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In re application of

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Appln. No.: 09/934,580

Group Art Unit: 1733

Confirmation No.: 7886

Examiner: Adrienne C. Johnstone

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For:

PNEUMATIC TIRE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of June 17, 2003, from October 17, 2003 to December 17, 2003.

A check for the statutory fee of \$950.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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